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DETAILED ACTION

Status

Claims 1-42 are pending

Response to Arguments

The applicants arguments filed on September 6, 2003 have been fully considered. The amended claims are rejected in view of the newly discovered reference Govindarajan et al. (US Patent 6,208659). See following rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1-4, 9-12, 17-20, 25-28 and 37-38 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wesinger Jr (US Patent 5,778,367) in view of Talati et al.(US Patent 5,903,878) and further in view of Microsoft SQL Server 6.5 Unleashed and further in view of de l'Etraz et al.(US Patent 6,073,138) and further in view of Yoshinaga (US Patent 5,962,829)in further view of Govindarajan et al. (US Patent 6,208659).

As per claim 1,

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367)discloses a method of providing access to a collection of electronic business cards comprising the steps of:

providing an electronic business card file Web site to a user; (column 3, lines 9-16, also column 7 lines 39-42)

allowing the creation of an electronic business card file by the user using said Web site, said creation comprising:

allowing the user to enter information into a plurality of fields;(figure 2L)

in the electronic business card file (figure 2L)

storing said information; (column 4, lines 6-10)

allowing the user to search for one or more records; (Figure 2K, also column 5, lines 53-56)

allowing the user to view said records; (Figure 2N, also column 6 lines 10-15)

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) does not specifically disclose "sending an authentication email to the user, wherein a reply to said authentication email is required to complete said creation" Talati et al. ('878) discloses "sending an authentication email to the user, wherein a reply to said authentication email is required to complete said creation" (column 3, lines 20-48) It would be

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obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) method with the Talati et al. ('878) method in order to prevent fraud.

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) does not specifically disclose "allowing the setting of privacy levels by the user for each said field, said setting comprising selecting one of more than two privacy levels so that the user controls data shown in each said field to another user based upon the selected privacy level for each said field wherein the user can set the privacy level to private, semi-private, or public for each field in the electronic business card file" Microsoft SQL Server 6.5 Unleashed discloses "allowing the setting of privacy levels by the user for each said field, said setting comprising selecting one of more than two privacy levels so that the user controls data shown in each said field to another user based upon the selected privacy level for each said field wherein the user can set the privacy level to private, semi-private, or public for each field in the electronic business card" It would be obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) method with the Microsoft SQL Server 6.5 Unleashed method in order provide effective security for the user

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) does not specifically disclose "to export electronic business card data from records in a private list of the user to a file readable by a contact management program wherein another user associated with a record in the list has extra privileges granted by the user" de l'Etraz et al. ('138) discloses "to export electronic business card data from records in a private list of the user to a file readable by a contact management program wherein another user associated with a record in the list has extra privileges granted by the user" de l'Etraz et al. ('138) discloses "to export electronic business card data from said records to a file readable by a contact management program" (column 15, lines 11-40) It would be obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) method with the de l'Etraz et al. ('138) method in order to create cross platform compatibility, thusly increasing the value of the system.

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) does not specifically disclose "Allowing the user to indicate a location of the user prior to an expiration date" Yoshinaga ('829) discloses "Allowing the user to indicate a location of the user prior to an expiration date" (column 6, lines 62-66) It would be obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) method with the Yoshinaga ('829) method in order to prevent users from accessing obsolete information.

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) does not specifically disclose "Sending an electronic mail by user to a recipient, wherein the electronic mail contains a signature hypertext link that permits the recipient to access the electronic business card file web site in order to create a new electronic business card file for the recipient and to access information in a permitted field of the electronic business card file of the user." Govindarajan et al. ('659) discloses "Sending an electronic mail by user to a recipient, wherein the electronic mail contains a signature hypertext link that permits the recipient to access the electronic business card file web site in order to create a new electronic business card file for the recipient and to access information in a permitted field of the electronic business card file of the user. (Column 10, lines 56-65)" It would be obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) method with the Govindarajan et al. ('659) method in order to reduce the amount of paper use to create business cards by representing them electronically.

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As per claims 9, 17, and 25, these claims are parallel with respect to claim 1

As per claim 2,

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367)discloses the method of Claim 1 wherein said electronic business card file Web site is accessible from the Internet.(column 3 lines 9-16)

As per claims 10, 18, and 26, these claims are parallel with respect to claim 2

As per claim 3,

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) discloses the method of Claim 1

Official Notice is taken that "electronic business card file Web site is accessible from an intranet isolated from the Internet by a firewall security device" is common and well known in prior art in reference to internet security. It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to isolate the intranet from the Internet by a firewall security device because this is an effective to protect the intranet's applications from "hacker" type attackes.

As per claims 11, 19, and 27, these claims are parallel with respect to claim 3

As per claim 4,

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) discloses the method of Claim 1

wherein said electronic business card file Web site is accessible from a web browser. (column 3 lines 9-16)

As per claims 12, 20, and 28, these claims are parallel with respect to claim 4

Claim 5, 6, 13, 14, 21, 22, 29 and 30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wesinger Jr (US Patent 5,778,367) as applied to claims 1, 9, 17, and 25 above, and further in view of WSD Application notes.

As per claim 5,

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) discloses the method of Claim 1,

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) does not specifically disclose "Web site is accessible from a personal digital assistant." The WSD Application notes discloses "Web site is accessible from a personal digital assistant." (paragraph 2). It would be obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the Wesinger et al. ('367) method with the WSD Application notes method in order to provide access to a website from a PDA, which would allow the website to be utilized by a greater number of transient people.

As per claims 13, 21, and 29, these claims are parallel with respect to claim 5

As per claim 6,

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) discloses the method of Claim 1,

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Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) does not specifically disclose "Web site is accessible from a browser enabled telephone." The WSD Application notes discloses "Web site is accessible from a browser enabled telephone." (paragraph 3). It would be obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the Wesinger et al. ('367) method with the WSD Application notes method in order to provide access to a website from a browser enabled telephone, which would allow the website to be utilized by a greater number of transient people.

As per claims 14, 22, and 30, these claims are parallel with respect to claim 6

As per claim 37,

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) discloses the method of Claim 1

Official Notice is taken that "editing the electronic business card to permit a temporary location pointer to the user" is common and well known in prior art in reference to computer programs. It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to edit the electronic business card to permit a temporary location pointer to the user because this allows the card owner to receive contacts generated by database usage.

As per claim 39, this claim is parallel with respect to claim 37.

Claims 7, 8, 15,16, 23, 24, 31 and 32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wesinger Jr (US Patent 5,778,367) as applied to claims 1, 9, 17, and 25 above, and further in view of Mehovic(US Patent 6,122,642).

As per claim 7,

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) discloses the method of Claim 1,

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) does not specifically disclose "the electronic business card file web site is accessible by spoken commands." Mehovic ('642) discloses "the electronic business card file web site is accessible by spoken commands." (column 5, lines 31-40). It would be obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the Wesinger et al. ('367) method the Mehovic ('642) method in order to provide access to a website from a telephone, which would allow the website to be utilized by a greater number of transient people.

As per claims 15, 23 and 31, these claims are parallel with respect to claim 7

As per claim 8,

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) discloses the method of Claim 1,

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) does not specifically disclose "first format response scheme to the user comprises audio playback." Mehovic ('642) discloses "first format response scheme to the user comprises audio playback" (column 5, lines 31-40). It would be obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the Wesinger et al. ('367)

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method with the Mehovic ('642) method in order to provide access to a website from a telephone, which would allow the website to be utilized by a greater number of transient people.

As per claims 16, 24 and 32, these claims are parallel with respect to claim 8

Claims 33 –36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wesinger Jr (US Patent 5,778,367) in view of Talati et al.(US Patent 5,903,878) and further in view of Microsoft SQL Server 6.5 Unleashed and further in view of Mehovic (US Patent 6,122,642).

As per claim 33,

Wesinger Jr, et al. ('367) discloses a method of providing access to a collection of electronic business cards comprising the steps of:

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As per claims 34, 35 and 36, these claims are parallel with respect to claim 33

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 39,40,41 and 42 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

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